

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. In the Office Action, claims 1-5 were rejected on various grounds. In view of the cancellation of claims 1-5, those rejections are now moot.

It is respectfully submitted that the presently recited bone fusion devices and coated surgical devices are neither taught nor suggested by the prior art.

Accordingly, this case is believed to be in condition for allowance. Such early and favorable action being earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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